



The Overprint

Newsletter of the Reading Stamp Collectors' Club

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**Most Meetings Held the first Tuesday of Every Month at 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Site: Berkshire Commons, 5485 Perkiomen Avenue (Route 422)
Turn North on Lincoln opposite of the Dairy Queen.
Proceed 300 feet, turn left on Washington and look right of center at the stop sign.**

Tuesday, February 5th, 2013

Auction!

Few meeting topics are as well-attended as the Auctions we hold.
We need both buyers and sellers and those who both buy and sell!!!

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Weather or Not?

The Reading Stamp Collectors' Club has a weather policy in case of unsafe outdoor conditions.

Basically, if either the Reading or Exeter Schools close for the day, or close early, the meeting is automatically cancelled.

If the weather is questionable, we may still cancel—check with an officer before going out in severe cold, ice, snow, etc.

Dues are Due

Dues for 2013 are due and payable if you have not as yet blessed our Treasurer, Mike Matus with your \$10 family payment.

You can pay Mike at the next meeting or mail a check to him at 157 Lucinda Lane, Wyomissing, PA 19610.

Ads of Interest to Our Members:

U.N. Collection, MNH - Singles 1951-2002 - 99% complete, NY, Gen, Ven. Inscription blocks of 4 complete 1951-1980...NY and Gen. Plus many other extras. WA and Minkus pages. High catalog value. Great way to start collecting U. N. \$200.00. Call 610-777-2167.

*Thank you, Thank you,
and **THANK YOU!***

Thank you to all who worked for the club at the November stamp show.

Our kitchen staff once again provided the best food at any hobby show I have attended. Barbara Spadaro, Sandy Baney, Susan Willman and Chrissy Nieves gave collectors a reason to stay at the show and keep buying.

Other helpers included Mike Matus, Kent Weaver, Roy Baardsen, Pete Baney, Mike Bach, Carmine Spadaro, Ken Bleiler and Stan Raugh. These folks did advance show preparation, show set up, manning the front table, helping attendees to find dealers who may be interested in buying stamps and on and on.

And a special thank you to Dave Silcox for the fine cachet on the show cover and associated work, and, to Beth Kase, who manned the children's table all day.

If anyone was missed on the list, please let your editor know so we can recognize them in the newsletter and document their service. Thanks again to everyone above and all our attendees.

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At the November meeting, Pete Baney won the 50/50 drawing. Diana Lawrence won the attendance drawing but was not present. Thanks again to everyone who buys drawing tickets to help support activities. Maybe you will win in February!

The Good Ole' Days

As your editor sits before his computer today, my mind drifts back to the first few meetings of the Reading Stamp Collectors' Club that I attended.

That was sometime around 1995. The meetings were held at the GPU Building on Route 183 in a huge cafeteria. Since then we have met at the Met-Ed Building on Route 61, the UGI Building on Morgantown Road and now our current location just off Route 422.

I am fairly certain that Mike Matus was president of the club for the first few meetings I attended. Bob Brown and Al Schaub also served as president of the club in those mid to late 90's meetings. They were followed by John Zitrick.

This is based on my sketchy memory, but I know Dave Crossland and myself were presidents, so was Charlie Adami, Kent Weaver, myself again, and now Pete Baney. I probably have missed one or two presidents somewhere in the rotation.

In the early years of the late 1990's, a member, Mr. Curry was his name as I recall, told me he was one of the original members of the club when it formed in the 1930's as primarily an aero-philatelic club.

For a spell, the club laid dormant in the 1980's and possibly some time before and a little after. I was told that Walt Creitz and John Zitrick reformed the club with the help of some others. When I first joined typical attendance was about a dozen or less, but meetings were still fun.